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**MEETING OF
THE MILWAUKEE COUNTY BOARD TASK FORCE ON
ECONOMIC STIMULUS**

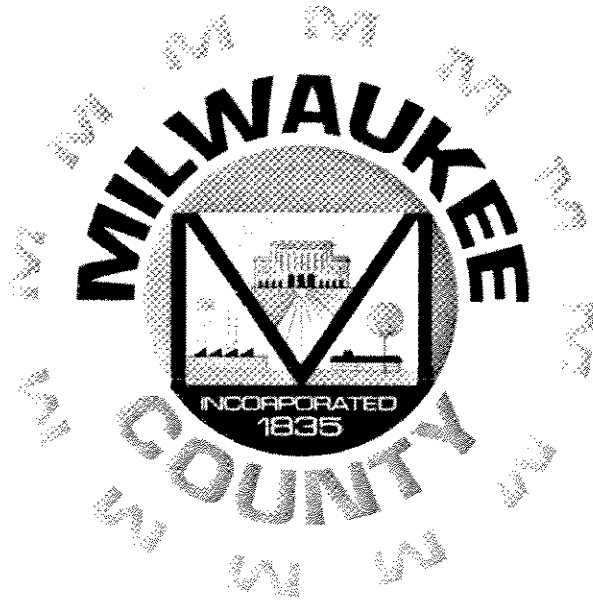
Friday, March 6, 2009 – 9:00A.M.

Milwaukee County Courthouse, Room 201-B

AGENDA

1. Discussion of the Purpose of the County Board Task Force on Economic Stimulus
2. Review the process for obtaining Economic Stimulus Funds
3. Outline a process & timeline for the Task Force
4. Informational needs of the Task Force members
5. Assignments
6. Set Future Meeting Date(s)

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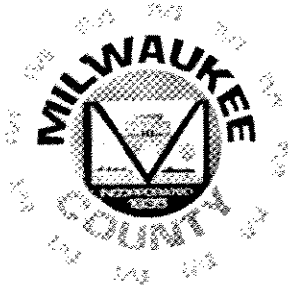
MILWAUKEE COUNTY FEDERAL STIMULUS PROJECTS

Presented to Governor Jim Doyle, State of Wisconsin

January 14, 2009

By Board Chairman Lee Holloway, on behalf of Milwaukee County

*Stimulus requests submitted by
Milwaukee County Directors and Constitutional Officers*



Milwaukee County Board of Supervisors

Lee Holloway

Chairman of the Board

January 14, 2009

Dear Governor Jim Doyle,

Wisconsin and the nation face an economic recession. The national unemployment rate has topped 7 percent, and even more people are marginally attached to the workforce. Milwaukee County's unemployment rate is rising. Our residents want to work, but they need jobs. At the same time, Milwaukee County faces serious infrastructure challenges, including approximately \$300 million in deferred maintenance in parks and a funding crisis in transit. A federal economic stimulus package that addresses these Milwaukee County priorities would jumpstart the state and local economy.

The spirit of the American people is strong, and they are committed to using this time as an opportunity for us to build a legacy for future generations. To me, the federal stimulus could be similar to the permanent public access projects completed more than 70 years ago. Then, hundreds of Civilian Conservation Corps workers constructed major improvements all across Milwaukee County, including Whitnall, Estabrook, Sheridan and Kletzsch parks and the Honey Creek Parkway. Now, we could use stimulus funds to update our parks. Now, we could use stimulus funds to boost our bus system through capital acquisition, farebox improvements, lowering of rates, and implementation of bus rapid transit. Enactment of these transit initiatives would promote economic development by creating transportation opportunities for employers and employees.

The County Executive has declined to seek federal stimulus aid for Milwaukee County. He has allowed his department heads to submit lists of possible projects to my office, which I do appreciate. As Chairman of the Board of Supervisors, I am stepping up to the plate to ensure that those priorities identified by directors, department heads, and Constitutional officers are submitted by Milwaukee County for consideration. I am particularly enthusiastic about the possibility that the federal government may assist Milwaukee County in addressing the identified backlog of capital and maintenance needs in parks and transit. Milwaukee Public Museum (MPM) President Dan Finley, Milwaukee County Research Park (MCRP) Executive Director William Drew, Milwaukee County Chief Judge Jeffrey Kremers, and Milwaukee County Sheriff David Clarke, Jr. all forwarded projects also worthy of consideration. Special consideration was given to "green" initiatives. Highlighted below are some key requests that deserve stimulus funding:

Milwaukee County Transit System (MCTS)

- Capital acquisition of 155 buses
- Reduction of bus fares to \$1.75
- Fare collection system improvements
- Bus Rapid Transit System implementation

Milwaukee County Child Support Enforcement

Investment in child support must be part of the economic stimulus package. Milwaukee County strongly supports the reversal of federal cuts to child support made as part of the Deficit Reduction Act (DRA) of 2005. Restoring these performance incentive dollars would effectively increase family spending power and raise the economic well being of households by increasing support collections.

Milwaukee County Park System


The Parks Director submitted a comprehensive Parks System Infrastructure Maintenance Summary Report, detailing a wide range of projects. The submitted list highlights \$96 million in projects that are "shovel-ready."

Milwaukee County Public Museum

MPM is undertaking a comeback from the financial collapse it experienced a few years ago. With the help of a financial oversight committee, recovery committee and the strong support of banks, foundations and especially Milwaukee County, the Museum seems to be well on the road to recovery. Projects that would assist in this recovery and also provide a local economic stimulus include: energy efficient lighting for museum and artifact exhibits, needed backup power for IT systems, more energy efficient and secure exterior doors, and upgrading of the overall Museum security system.

It is imperative to Wisconsin's economy that local governments are ready to receive assistance from the federal government, so our residents can get a better return on their federal tax dollars. Your leadership on the stimulus package, and your willingness to work with Milwaukee County to make sure our requests for assistance are advanced, is appreciated. As the County official taking leadership on the stimulus, I ask for your assistance and advocacy in order to make sure that the President-Elect and his Administration hear and address the economic concerns of Milwaukee County.

Sincerely,



Lee Holloway
Chairman,
Board of Supervisors

cc: Milwaukee County Board of Supervisors
Milwaukee County Executive Scott Walker
Members, Wisconsin Congressional Delegation
Milwaukee County Legislative Delegation
Tim Sheehy, Metropolitan Milwaukee Association of Commerce President
Jack Takerian, Interim Director Public Works
Anita Gulotta-Connelly, MCTS Managing Director
Sue Black, Milwaukee County Parks Director
Dan Finley, MPM President
William Drew, MCRP Executive Director
Milwaukee County Chief Judge Jeffrey Kremers
Milwaukee County Sheriff David Clarke, Jr.
Lisa Jo Marks, Director Milwaukee County Department of Child Support Enforcement
Ron Waterman, Waterman & Associates

Attachments

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LISTING OF ATTACHMENTS

1) **Milwaukee County Transit System**

Plan submitted by Managing Director Anita Gulotta-Connelly for:

- Capital acquisition of 155 buses at an estimated cost of \$62 million
- Farebox improvements at an estimated cost of \$7 million
- Bus Rapid Transit implementation at an estimated cost of \$40 million
- Fare Reductions to \$1.75 at an estimated cost of \$2 million

2) **Milwaukee County Parks System**

- Parks Director Sue Black submitted a comprehensive Parks System Infrastructure Maintenance Summary Report, detailing a wide range of projects. The submitted list highlights \$96 million in projects that are “shovel-ready.”

3) **Milwaukee County Department of Child Support Enforcement**

- Testimony from County Executive Scott Walker and Board Chairman Lee Holloway to federal Ways and Means Committee urging members *“to make reinvestment in child support part of an economic stimulus package.”*
- Restoration of performance incentive funds at an estimated cost of \$7.6 million

4) **Milwaukee Public Museum**, submitted by MPM President Dan Finley

- Five capital projects at an estimated cost of approximately \$1 million, including energy efficient improvements

5) **Milwaukee County Research Park**, submitted by MCRP Executive Director William Drew

- Energy efficient modernization of MCRP incubator, including windows and HVAC at an estimated cost of \$9 million

6) **Milwaukee County Department of Health and Human Services**, submitted by DHHS Director Corey Hoze

- Requests at an estimated cost of \$6.4 million, including:
 - ❑ \$3.5 million for Electronic Medical Records Implementation;
 - ❑ \$169,100 for Disability Resource Call Center equipment; and
 - ❑ \$350,000 for Food Stamp Mobile Application Vehicle at the Coggs Building

7) **Milwaukee County Department of Public Works**, submitted on behalf of DPW Interim Director Jack Takerian

- Capital projects across thirteen categories, from the Airport to the Zoo at an estimated cost of \$175.5 million, including
 - ❑ Courtroom bullet resistant glass window (\$239,800)
 - ❑ Energy savings performance contracting (\$7,000,000)
 - ❑ Airport safety improvements (\$410,000)
 - ❑ Various transportation road projects (\$21,242,150)
 - ❑ North Shop Building, design completed 10 years ago (\$8,700,000)
 - ❑ Wil-O-Ways upgrades and renovations (\$884,000)

8) **Office of the Milwaukee County Sheriff**, submitted on behalf of Sheriff David Clarke, Jr.

- Technology upgrades to improve service to citizens and the nineteen municipal law enforcement agencies in Milwaukee County at an approximate estimated cost of \$7 million, including:
 - Purchase and implementation of replacement Electronic Medical Records systems serving the jail and the House of Corrections; and
 - Purchase of fifty replacement squad cars for aging fleet

9) **Milwaukee County Circuit Courts**, submitted by Chief Judge Jeffrey Kremers

- Purchase of video-conferencing equipment for courts at an estimated cost of \$300,000

10) **Marcus Center for the Performing Arts**, submitted by Managing Director Paul Matthews

- Request for Marcus Center Improvements to Pedestrian Access and Public Spaces along the Riverwalk at an estimated cost of \$6.5 million



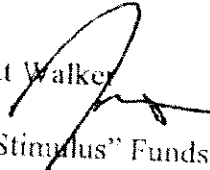
OFFICE OF COUNTY EXECUTIVE

Milwaukee County

SCOTT WALKER • COUNTY EXECUTIVE

February 19, 2009

TO: All Cabinet Members

FROM: County Executive Scott Walker 

RE: Requests for Federal "Stimulus" Funds

With the recent signing of the "stimulus bill" by the President, and as details of how these funds may be made available through the State and Federal governments, I want to reiterate the criteria that I have previously laid out for evaluating these opportunities.

Therefore, I am directing that Departments, prior to any such request or application for "stimulus" monies, perform an analysis that specifically ensures the following:

1. Requested granted funds will require no match by Milwaukee County.
2. Requested grant funds will not require any long-term financial commitments by Milwaukee County.
3. Expenditure of requested funds will not obligate Milwaukee County to future operating or maintenance expenses.

Requests or applications that do not meet the above criteria shall not be advanced, unless they have been specifically approved as part of the 2009 budget. Copies of such requests or applications should be forwarded to the DAS Fiscal and Budget Administrator, Steve Kreklow.



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CONGRESSWOMAN GWEN MOORE'S Guide to the 2009 Economic Recovery Act

February 27, 2009

BACKGROUND

On February 17, 2009, the President signed the Recovery Act into law and the money will soon begin to flow across the country. Of the entire \$787 billion provided in the package, \$499 billion is spending, the remainder will go towards tax cuts.

The \$499 billion in spending money will be spent in a variety of ways:

HOW STIMULUS DOLLARS ARE DISTRIBUTED

The many programs that will receive funding in the Recovery Act have varying guidelines when it comes to how each one can collect the allocated dollars. Some programs are done via formula – usually set in an existing law- to states and localities. Others must go through a Competitive Procurement Process where federal agencies distribute requests for proposals and convene panels to evaluate applications. Programs known as Entitlement programs respond directly to demand from eligible individuals while funding for other programs are allocated according to public operating and spending plans. The Recovery Act also includes some one time benefits.

By Formula

- Medicaid
- State Fiscal Stabilization Fund
- Highway Infrastructure and Transit Systems

By Competition

- National Institutes of Health
- National Science Foundation

As Entitlements

- COBRA
- Unemployment Insurance
- Food Stamps

By Agency Plan

- Environmental cleanup
- National Parks construction
- Defense and Veterans infrastructure programs

By One-Time Automatic Disbursement

\$250 to Social Security, Veterans and Supplemental Security Income (SSI) beneficiaries

Some programs, for example those under the Workforce Investment Act (WIA), use several different mechanisms for distributing allocated funding.

How to Access Workforce Investment Act Stimulus Dollars

- WIA Formula
 - Money will be sent to state government via formula from the Federal government to the State
- Request for Proposal
 - The Milwaukee Area Workforce Investment Board will send out a request for proposal to solicit new providers
 - This solicitation will be published in newspapers and sent to local vendor lists
- Procurement Process
 - The Workforce Investment Act required all Workforce Development Boards to go through a Competitive Procurement Process
 - The Milwaukee Area Workforce Investment Board will send out a list of the kinds of programs they are looking for
 - For those who apply, they will be asked how much money will be needed for the program and what will be the outcomes and were past successes
- Milwaukee Area Workforce Development Board Contact Info:
http://dwd.wisconsin.gov/dwdwia/PDF/wda_list.pdf

GENERAL NATIONWIDE TRANSPORTATION PROVISIONS OF NOTE

Members of the Congressional Black Caucus fought for infrastructure provisions that would create jobs and produce a meaningful economic impact nationwide.

- The Recovery Act sets-aside 30% of Highway Funds to be spent in large cities.
- The Recovery Act places a priority on spending highway funds in areas that are economically distressed.
- The Recovery Act sets-aside \$20 million of Transportation funds for minority and woman construction apprenticeship and training programs through the state DOT.
- The Recovery Act sets-aside \$20 million for Disadvantaged Business Enterprises (DBE) bonding assistance through the Federal Highway Administration.

KEY PROGRAMS

General State of Wisconsin Recovery Website, including contact information:

<http://www.recovery.wi.gov/programs.asp?locid=164>

The following are key programs in the Recovery Act that will have a significant immediate impact on Wisconsin area communities:

Workforce Investment Act (Job Training)

The Workforce Investment Act (WIA) programs include employment services for adults as well as youth and grants to states for re-employment services. Wisconsin will receive \$5.2 million in WIA Adult Formula Grants, nearly \$14 million in WIA Youth Formula Grants (including summer jobs), and \$16.7 million in WIA Dislocated Worker Formula Grants. (For distribution of WIA dollars see "How to Access WIA Stimulus Dollars Above.")

State Fiscal Stabilization Fund

Wisconsin will receive \$877 million for a state fiscal stabilization fund. This new fund is designed as a federal backstop against falling state revenues. Most of the fund is designated by formula and the majority of it must be used for education. However, the Department of Administration will have control over approximately \$145 million to spend on a variety of programs and projects, including schools, roads, and law enforcement.

Head Start & Early Head Start

Wisconsin should receive approximately \$11.7 million for Head Start and \$11.6 million for Early Head Start over the next two years. Head Start and Early Head Start are competitive federal to local programs that do not go through state consideration. If a group or school wants to compete for these funds, they should submit a competitive application with HHS.

Neighborhood Stabilization Program (NSP)

This is a new HUD program created last year that provides funds to local governments and states with high levels of foreclosures to purchase and rehabilitate vacant housing. The intent of the program is to eliminate blight and return vacant units to use as affordable rental housing and affordable homeownership opportunities. There is \$2 billion in funding provided in the economic recovery bill for the NSP. Unlike last year when they were distributed by a formula, these funds will be awarded on a competitive

basis. HUD is still developing the guidelines. Once money is available through the State, it will go through the WI Department of Commerce, <http://commerce.wi.gov/CD/cd-boh-stimulus.html>. Tarna Gahan-Hunter is the contact person.

Transportation – Highway

Wisconsin is due to receive \$529 million, probably within two weeks. Priority consideration will be given to projects that are both able to be completed in 3 years and which are located in an economically depressed area. However, federal highway monies are generally spent on major arterial roads and the mayor and the governor are disagreeing about how much flexibility there should be in the use of the funds.

Transportation – Transit

Wisconsin will receive \$81.4 Million to be distributed for projects by the Wisconsin Department of Transportation. According to the existing formula \$61.2 million is for urban areas, and only \$20.1 million for non-urbanized areas. The state must obligate funds within 120 days of receiving its apportionment from the Federal Department of Transportation.

Community Development Block Grants

The CDBG program allows the city to provide affordable housing, create economic opportunities, and other activities that focus on low and moderate income individuals. Projects will be given priority if they can award contracts based on bids within 120 days of the grant agreement. The City of Milwaukee will receive \$4.5 million to be administered by the City's Community Block Grant Administration.

Homelessness Prevention Grant Programs

This program provides financial assistance to the city to prevent individuals and families from becoming homeless and to help those who are homeless to be quickly rehoused and stabilized. Funds can be used for a variety of assistance, including short-term or medium-term rent assistance, housing relocation, security or utility deposits, moving costs, or case management. The City of Milwaukee will receive \$6.9 million that will also be administered by the City's Community Block Grant Administration.

Weatherization

Wisconsin will receive approximately \$141 million for the low-income housing weatherization program, which covers some of the costs of insulating low-income residences. These funds are distributed by an existing federal Department of Energy

formula. In Wisconsin those funds are distributed by the WI State Department of Administration's Division of Energy, <http://www.homeenergyplus.wi.gov/>.

Child Care Development Block Grants

Wisconsin will receive an additional \$30.1 million in CCDBG funds distributed by an existing federal Department of Health and Human Services formula. This is approximately double current funding. Funding will be allocated to the states based on a formula that considers 1) share of children under five, 2) share of state's children receiving free/reduced priced lunches, and 3) the state's per capita income. In Wisconsin those funds will then be distributed by the WI Department of Children and Family Services. Nikki Hatch is the contact person.

American Recovery and Reinvestment Act Estimates for the State of Wisconsin

Preliminary State Allocations by Program

Program	Total
Medicaid	\$1,210,000,000
Medicaid	\$0,356,000
Foster Care/Adoption Assistance	\$10,316,000
National School Lunch Program/Equipment Assistance	\$1,732,120
The Emergency Food Assistance Program - (TEFAP)	\$1,713,038
Emergency Food and Shelter Program**	\$1,369,799
Drinking Water State Revolving Fund	\$38,042,000
Drinking Water State Revolving Fund	\$137,593,400
Highway Funding	\$629,111,915
Transit Formula Funding	\$81,640,826
Public Housing Capital Fund	\$26,136,473
HOME Funding	\$36,833,472
Homelessness Prevention Fund	\$27,071,486
Community Development Block Grant	\$18,040,228
Byrne/JAG (Justice Assistance Grants)	\$29,303,206
Crime Victims	\$868,930
Internet Crimes Against Children Grants	\$1,170,650
Violence Against Women Grants	\$3,189,212
State Energy Program	\$55,909,000
Weatherization	\$144,541,237
Child Care and Development Block Grant	\$30,493,313
Head Start	\$9,276,172
State Stabilization Fund - Education	\$717,730,301
State Stabilization Fund - Flexible Block Grant	\$159,603,000
Title I Education for the Disadvantaged	\$180,929,364
Education for Homeless	\$826,000
Education Technology	\$8,363,000
Community Services Block Grant	\$12,253,215
Senior Meals Programs	\$1,665,526
Dept. of Labor - State Employment Service Grants	\$7,556,942
Dept. of Labor - Dislocated Workers State Grants	\$16,734,343
Dept. of Labor - Adult State Grants	\$5,236,216
Dept. of Labor - Youth State Grants	\$13,948,296
Unemployment Insurance State Administration Grants	\$10,122,000
Community Service Employment for Older Americans	\$3,023,000
Dept. of Education - Vocational Rehabilitation	\$9,611,942
Dept. of Education - Special Education Part B - Section 611	\$208,200,000
TOTALS	\$3,760,801,661

[Source: United States Senate Appropriations Committee, Federal Funds Information for States, and American Budget and Policy Priorities]

American Recovery and Reinvestment Act Estimate for the State of Wisconsin

Estimated Number of Affected Individuals in Wisconsin

<u>Program</u>	<u>People Assisted</u>
Jobs Created or Saved	70,000
Unemployment Rate 12/2009	6.2
UI Beneficiaries in 2009	603,400
Families Receiving Making Work Pay Tax Credit	2,220,000
Pell Grant Recipients	91,532
Additional Students Receiving College Tax Credit	63,000
Food Stamp Participants	480,000
Children Receiving Child Tax Credit	279,000
Taxpayers Protected by the Alternative Minimum Tax Patch	393,000

[Source: United States House of Representatives Office of Speaker]

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Subject: First Meeting on Stimulus Task Force

Cindy, Jack, Sue, John & Steve,

Until such time as we've had an opportunity to discuss the Chairman's memo with the Exec, **you are not to respond** to the email you received today from Supervisor Theodore Lipscomb. The email from Supervisor Lipscomb implies that you were appointed by the Chairman to serve, yet the Chairman's memo dated the 19th of February, but first received in our office on the 23rd, was sent to the County Executive and **recommends** the membership of the Task Force. We have not yet decided if the administration will be a participant. We will advise you with ample time for the Task Force to be informed.

Tom

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Subject: First Meeting of the Task Force on Economic Stimulus

Dear Members of the Task Force on Economic Stimulus:

Last week Chairman Holloway created the task force and appointed all of us in an effort to maximize the impact of the federal stimulus package in Milwaukee County. It is time that we meet and get started.

Supervisor Sanfelippo and I propose Friday, March 6, 2009 at 9AM for our first meeting (Approximate Duration: 90 Minutes). This date and time does not conflict with any other County Board committee meetings but we realize that you all have busy calendars. Please let my office know ASAP if you cannot accommodate this meeting time. We would like the participation of all members if possible.

If you have suggestions for the agenda, comments, or concerns please contact us as well.

Thank You,

-Theo

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County battle lines on federal aid acceptance take shape

By Steve Schultze of the Journal Sentinel

Posted: Mar. 4, 2009

Milwaukee County supervisors aim to sidestep County Executive Scott Walker's aversion to seeking federal stimulus aid with their own state lobbying but fear foot-dragging by county department heads could hamper the effort.

The active participation of staff who take their orders from Walker is needed for the county to effectively compete for its fair share of the stimulus money, Supervisor Theo Lipscomb, chairman of a new task force on the topic, said Wednesday.

Given Walker's high-profile disdain for seeking stimulus aid, Lipscomb is not optimistic about getting full cooperation for the board's pursuit. Five county department heads were named to the task force by County Board Chairman Lee Holloway in an effort to draw them into the application process.

But Walker said Wednesday that he won't let any county staff participate. Walker will allow county staff to help apply for federal money only for projects that meet his criteria: no required county match and no ongoing county costs.

Walker said he realizes that might lead to one set of aid applications to the state from him and a different set of applications from the County Board. The state Office of Recovery and Reinvestment is coordinating distribution of the federal money.

If the state approves money he didn't ask for, Walker said, he'll reject it. If the County Board puts up a fight, he'll consider legal action to prevent the money from being spent, he said.

"We're not going to do something that puts us into a potential budget deficit," he said.

The possible conflict over accepting or rejecting federal aid to the county may be unprecedented, the county executive said.

Walker has said the better approach for restarting the stalled economy is tax cuts. In an opinion article published in *The Wall Street Journal* last week, Walker was highly critical of Democratic Gov. Jim Doyle for lining "up at the federal trough begging for billions in 'free money' to cover budget deficits and to fuel new spending."

Walker is expected to mount a Republican candidacy to unseat Doyle in 2010.

The county executive has also called the \$787 billion federal stimulus package "a classic bait and switch" that will require increased future state and local spending.

Walker said he wasn't informed in advance of the task force, and that its objectives and authority were unclear.

The applications for aid that flow through the state Office of Recovery and Reinvestment require detailed explanations of projects. That means significant work by county staff is needed, Lipscomb said.

Tom Nardelli, Walker's chief of staff, said in an e-mail Wednesday to the department heads sought for the supervisors' task force that they would help only on those projects that pass muster with Walker.

Nevertheless, Nardelli said, "I expect there will be federal dollars that we would seek where there is mutual interest."

Meanwhile, state transportation officials said that three Milwaukee County road projects costing more than \$17 million would win stimulus funding. Those projects are: the \$4.5 million upgrade of N. 107th St. from W. Brown Deer Road to the Ozaukee County line; the \$5.6 million improvement of W. Oklahoma Ave. from S. 72nd to S. 108th streets; and the \$7 million upgrade of S. 13th St. from W. Ryan Road to W. Rawson Ave.

Those were among a list of 18 projects that Walker approved for possible stimulus funding.

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OFFICE OF COUNTY EXECUTIVE

Milwaukee County

SCOTT WALKER • COUNTY EXECUTIVE

March 3, 2009

Supervisor Theodore Lipscomb
Milwaukee County Courthouse
901 N. 9th St. Room 201
Milwaukee, WI 53233

Dear Supervisor ^{*Theo*}Lipscomb:

Thank you for your letter of March 3, 2009 regarding the Task Force on Economic Stimulus appointed by Chairman Holloway.

Much has been reported, more appropriately mis-reported, regarding my position regarding the pursuit of "stimulus" money. I have outlined three criteria on which my Administration will evaluate any resources that may be made available through the "stimulus" Act.

Specifically those that do not require a local match, that do not require undertaking any long-term commitments by acceptance of such funds, and that do not obligate new future operating or maintenance expenses. In a January 11 Milwaukee Journal Sentinel article and again in a February 19 memo to my Cabinet, I reiterated the criteria and directed that they seek available funds that meet the criteria.

Your letter correctly notes that the Wisconsin Department of Transportation (WisDOT) has issued a Second State Solicitation for Local Transportation Recovery Projects. You may be interested to know that my Administration, through the Department of Transportation and Public Works (DTPW), submitted projects in the first round request (dated 2/6/09) totaling more than \$38 million for various transportation that both met the requirements of the state solicitation and the criteria laid out above. For further information on this, attached is an informational report submitted to the Transportation, Public Works and Transit Committee. This report was item 12 on their agenda for Wednesday, March 4, 2009.

As for the second round solicitation by WisDOT, DTPW will submit projects that meet the qualification and timeline requirements of the solicitation. Director Takenan will submit an informational report to the Board of Supervisors detailing the requests submitted in response to this solicitation.

In addition, we are aware that there may be additional money that will be available through the transit aids formula that may be used to replace busses, etc. Our current understanding is that these funds, which may be as much as \$25 million to Milwaukee County, will fund 100% of eligible expenses. As further detail is available on this, DTPW will submit informational reports to the Board on this as well.

The Task Force was created solely by the County Board Chairman, without any input or consultation with me or my office. My Administration has a process in place to seek out, evaluate and pursue all resources, including federal "stimulus" dollars, which may be available. As we have done with transportation funds (as noted above), my Administration will keep the Board informed as these resources are identified and requested/applied for. I have also directed my Cabinet to provide other information that may be requested by your Task Force or other Supervisors.

As County Executive, I have a responsibility to make sure that my Administration is working on behalf of the citizens of Milwaukee County to provide the maximum "bang for the buck". As such, we will aggressively pursue all opportunities to responsibly bring investment into Milwaukee County, particularly when doing so can reduce the burden on our already overtaxed constituents. I will not, however, seek out federal funds that lead to future budget problems by taking on match requirements, long-term commitments and/or operating and maintenance expenses that Milwaukee County cannot afford.

Sincerely,



Scott Walker

c: Chairman Lee Holloway
Milwaukee County Board of Supervisors

COUNTY OF MILWAUKEE
INTEROFFICE COMMUNICATION

12

Date: February 17, 2009

To: Supervisor Michael Mayo, Sr., Chairperson, Committee on Transportation, Public Works and Transit

From: Jack Takerian, Interim Director, Department of Transportation & Public Works

Subject: **WisDOT Local Project Solicitation - Informational Report**

The Milwaukee County Department of Transportation and Public Works (DTPW) will be submitting to the Wisconsin Department of Transportation (WisDOT) for their review and approval applications for funding of local roadway projects.

BACKGROUND

Pursuant to a letter received from Secretary Frank J. Busalacchi, Wisconsin Department of Transportation (WisDOT), dated February 6, 2009, requesting Milwaukee County submit a list of roadway construction projects that may be able to meet the very challenging time limits and project development requirements for the first round of stimulus projects, DTPW has compiled a listing of roadway and bridge projects.

As a follow-up to the said request, Secretary Frank Busalacchi was directed to initiate the first phase solicitation ahead of the legislation being signed into law.

The Department of Transportation and Public Works is submitting the following projects for consideration:

<u>Local Project</u>	Proposed Cost
CTH EE – W Hampton Avenue Rehabilitation 60th Street to 124th Street Design Complete	\$339,250
Inter-jurisdictional Traffic System CMAQ Design Underway	\$502,700
CTH V – South 13th Street Reconstruction Right-of-Way Acquisition	\$601,100
CTH U – South 76th Street Rehabilitation Puetz Road to Imperial Avenue Right-of-Way Acquisition	\$402,200

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COUNTY EXECUTIVE'S OFFICE

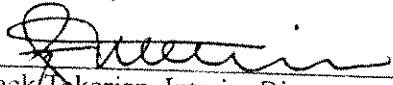
Local Project	Proposed Cost
CTH F – N 107th Street Rehabilitation Brown Deer Road to North County Line	\$4,500,000
CTH NN – W Oklahoma Avenue Rehabilitation 72nd Street to 108th Street	\$5,600,000
CTH V – South 13th Street Rehabilitation Ryan Road to Rawson Avenue	\$6,970,000

CONCLUSION


The Department of Transportation and Public Works has concluded that the listed projects should be submitted to WisDOT based on the project eligibility requirements, urgency of delivery, readiness of the projects and the understanding that these projects, if approved, would not require additional funding from Milwaukee County.

Prepared by: Benedict C. Eruchalu, P.E.

Approved by:



Jack Takerian, Interim Director
Transportation & Public Works



Gregory G. High, Director
AE&ES / Transportation Divisions
Transportation & Public Works

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- C: County Executive Scott Walker
Lee Holloway, Chairman, County Board of Supervisors
Thomas Nardelli, Chief of Staff, County Executive's Office
Terry Cooley, Chief of Staff, County Board of Supervisors
Cynthia Archer, Director, Dept of Administrative Services
Steven Kreklow, Fiscal & Budget Administrator
Scott Manske, Controller, DAS-Accounting
Pamela Bryant, Capital Finance Manager, DAS-Fiscal & Strategic Services
Benedict Eruchalu, RCM-Highway Design, DTPW-Transportation Division
Rollin Bertran, RCM-Traffic Engineering, DTPW-Transportation Division
Mahmoud Malas, RCM-Structures, DTPW-Transportation Division

Local Project	Proposed Cost
CTH EE – W Hampton Avenue Reconstruction Hwy 100 to 124th Street Design Complete	\$671,000
CTH NN – W Oklahoma Avenue Honey Creek Bridge #0027 Design Complete	\$301,600
Lake Park Bridge over Drainage Ravine Design Complete	\$1,005,400
CTH ZZ – W College Avenue Reconstruction Howell Avenue to Pennsylvania Avenue Right-of-Way Acquisition	\$201,100
CTH E – W Silver Spring Drive Rehabilitation 124th Street to N 69th Street Design Complete	\$3,716,600
CTH E – W Silver Spring Drive Bridge over Little Menomonee River Design Complete	\$1,508,000
CTH E – W Silver Spring Traffic Signal Improvements 124th Street to 69th Street Design Complete	\$687,800
CTH PP – W Good Hope Road Rehabilitation 107th Street to 76th Street Design Complete	\$6,224,200
CTH PP – W Good Hope Road Bridge Little Menomonee River to 99th Street Design Complete	\$1,910,200
CTH PP – W Good Hope Road Traffic Signal Improvements 91st Street Intersection Design Complete	\$171,000
Lake Park Lion Bridges (4) Rehabilitation Design Complete	\$3,000,000



U.S. DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT
WASHINGTON, DC 20410-3000

OFFICE OF THE ASSISTANT SECRETARY FOR
CONGRESSIONAL AND INTERGOVERNMENTAL RELATIONS

HUD Grant Notification

ATTN: The Honorable Gwen Moore

Shown below are the 2009 Recovery Act Homeless Prevention Grant Program awards for your State or District.

The Homelessness Prevention Grant will provide financial and other assistance to prevent individuals and families from becoming homeless and help those who are experiencing homelessness to be quickly re-housed and stabilized. The funds under this program are intended to target individuals and families who would be homeless but for this assistance. The funds will provide for a variety of assistance, including: short-term or medium-term rental assistance and housing relocation and stabilization services, including such activities as mediation, security or utility deposits, utility payments, moving cost assistance, and case management.

For more information, please contact the Office of Congressional and Intergovernmental Relations at (202) 708-0380.

Recovery Act of 2009 Homeless Prevention Fund Formula Allocation

WI	Recovery Act of 2009 Homeless Prevention Fund Formula Allocation	02	City of Madison	\$817,092.00	David Cieslewicz, Mayor 608-266-4611
WI	Recovery Act of 2009 Homeless Prevention Fund Formula Allocation	04	City of Milwaukee	\$6,912,159.00	Tom Barrett, Mayor 414-286-2200
WI	Recovery Act of 2009 Homeless Prevention Fund Formula Allocation	01	City of Racine	\$817,554.00	Gary Becker, Mayor 262-636-9111
WI	Recovery Act of 2009 Homeless Prevention Fund Formula Allocation	04, 05	City of West Allis	\$574,434.00	Dan Devine, Mayor 414-302-8200
WI	Recovery Act of 2009 Homeless Prevention Fund Formula Allocation	04	County of Milwaukee	\$712,755.00	Lee Holloway, Chair of Board of Supervisors 414-278-4261
WI	Recovery Act of 2009 Homeless	02	State of Wisconsin	\$17,101,862.00	James Doyle, Governor 608-266-1212



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HUD Grant Notification

ATTN: The Honorable Gwen Moore

Shown below are the 2009 Recovery Act Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Formula Program awards for your State or District.

The Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) program enables local governments to undertake a wide range of activities intended to create suitable living environments, provide decent affordable housing and create economic opportunities, primarily for persons of low and moderate income. As directed by ARRA, HUD will allocate Recovery CDBG funds to jurisdictions that received FY 2008 CDBG grants. Grantees will prepare an amendment to their approved FY 2008 CDBG action plan that describes the activities proposed to be carried out the Recovery CDBG funds. Grantees shall give priority to projects that can award contracts based on bids within 120 days of the grant agreement. Additional guidance and information related to the administration of Recovery CDBG funding will be provided shortly.

For more information, please contact the Office of Congressional and Intergovernmental Relations at (202) 708-0380.

2009 Recovery Act Community Development Block Grant

WI	Recovery Act of 2009 CDBG Formula Allocation	08	City of Appleton	\$161,702.00	Timothy Hanna, Mayor 920-832-6400
WI	Recovery Act of 2009 CDBG Formula Allocation	01, 02	City of Beloit	\$180,013.00	James Van De Bogart, Council President 608-364-6614
WI	Recovery Act of 2009 CDBG Formula Allocation	03	City of Eau Claire	\$171,707.00	David Adler, Council President 715-839-4902
WI	Recovery Act of 2009 CDBG Formula	06	City of Fond du Lac	\$153,091.00	Tim Lakin, Council President 920-322-3405

	Allocation				
WI	Recovery Act of 2009 CDBG Formula Allocation	08	City of Green Bay	\$267,161.00	Jim Schmitt, Mayor 920-448-3005
WI	Recovery Act of 2009 CDBG Formula Allocation	01, 02	City of Janesville	\$145,035.00	Amy Leasching, Council President 608-755-3177
WI	Recovery Act of 2009 CDBG Formula Allocation	01	City of Kenosha	\$282,483.00	Keith Bosman, Mayor 262-653-4000
WI	Recovery Act of 2009 CDBG Formula Allocation	03	City of La Crosse	\$274,048.00	Mark Johnsrud, Mayor 608-789-7500
WI	Recovery Act of 2009 CDBG Formula Allocation	02	City of Madison	\$534,096.00	David Cieslewicz, Mayor 608-266-4611
WI	Recovery Act of 2009 CDBG Formula Allocation	04	City of Milwaukee	\$4,518,509.00	Tom Barrett, Mayor 414-286-2200
WI	Recovery Act of 2009 CDBG Formula Allocation	06, 08	City of Neenah	\$57,622.00	George Scherck, Mayor 920-751-4602
WI	Recovery Act of 2009 CDBG Formula Allocation	06	City of Oshkosh	\$223,362.00	Frank Tower, Mayor 920-236-5011
WI	Recovery Act of 2009 CDBG Formula Allocation	01	City of Racine	\$534,384.00	Gary Becker, Mayor 262-636-9111
WI	Recovery Act of 2009 CDBG Formula Allocation	06	City of Sheboygan	\$284,216.00	Juan Perez, Mayor 920-459-3317
WI	Recovery Act of 2009 CDBG Formula Allocation	07	City of Superior	\$231,065.00	Dave Ross, Mayor 715-395-7212
WI	Recovery Act of 2009 CDBG Formula Allocation	05	City of Waukesha	\$114,887.00	Larry Nelson, Mayor 262-524-3700
WI	Recovery Act of 2009 CDBG Formula Allocation	07	City of Wausau	\$186,737.00	Jim Tipple, Mayor 715-261-6500
WI	Recovery Act of 2009 CDBG Formula Allocation	04, 05	City of Wauwatosa	\$322,888.00	Jill Didier, Mayor 414-479-8915
WI	Recovery Act of 2009 CDBG Formula Allocation	04, 05	City of West Allis	\$375,485.00	Dan Devine, Mayor 414-302-8200

WI	Recovery Act of 2009 CDBG Formula Allocation	02	County of Dane	\$305,535.00	Scott McDennell, Chair of Board of Supervisors 608-266-5758
WI	Recovery Act of 2009 CDBG Formula Allocation	04	County of Milwaukee	\$465,341.00	Lee Holloway, Chair of Board of Supervisors 414-278-4261
WI	Recovery Act of 2009 CDBG Formula Allocation	05	County of Waukesha	\$277,564.00	James Dwyer, Chair of Board of Supervisors 262-548-7902
WI	Recovery Act of 2009 CDBG Formula Allocation	02	State of Wisconsin	\$7,533,775.00	James Doyle, Governor 608-266-1212

**COUNTY OF MILWAUKEE
INTEROFFICE COMMUNICATION**

DATE: March 3, 2009

TO: Lee Holloway, Chairperson, County Board of Supervisors

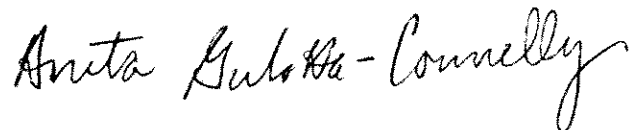
FROM: Anita Gulotta-Connelly, Managing Director, MCTS

SUBJECT: Milwaukee County Task Force on Economic Stimulus

Thank you for inviting me to participate on the Milwaukee County Economic Stimulus Task Force. I would be happy to participate if you and the County Executive feel that it is appropriated for me to do so. I will be unable to attend the first meeting, but MCTS Deputy Director, Lloyd Grant, is available to attend in my place. Lloyd and I have worked closely to monitor the status of the economic stimulus funding package and he is fully aware of our priorities.

At this time it does appear that significant funding (approximately \$25-27 million dollars) will be available through 5307 formula funding for MCTS capital needs. It is possible that additional funding may be available through discretionary programs as well. Buses, fareboxes and vehicle annunciators will be of high priority for the system.

Thank you again for the opportunity to participate.



Cc: Thomas G. Nardelli, Chief of Staff, Milwaukee County Executive's Office
Brian Dranzik, Budget and Policy Administrator, Department of Transportation and Public Works
Supervisor Theodore Lipscomb, Milwaukee County Board of Supervisors



U.S. House of Representatives
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Washington, DC 20515

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February 27, 2009

Dear :

On February 17, 2009, President Barack Obama signed into law the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 (P.L. 111-5) ("Recovery Act") to create and sustain family-wage jobs, help the United States recover from the worst recession since the Great Depression, and invest in transportation, environmental, and other infrastructure that will provide long-term economic benefits to the nation. The Recovery Act provides \$64.1 billion of infrastructure investment authorized by the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure to enhance the safety, security, and efficiency of our highway, transit, rail, aviation, environmental, inland waterways, public buildings, and maritime transportation infrastructure.

This investment includes \$27.5 billion of Federal-aid highway funding under the jurisdiction of this Committee that is distributed directly to States and large Metropolitan Planning Organizations (MPOs) by existing statutory formulas. These funds will enable States and MPOs to proceed immediately with "quick-hit", ready-to-go construction projects. In addition, the Recovery Act includes specific "use-it or lose it" deadlines by which States and MPOs must invest transportation and infrastructure funding provided under the Act.

The Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure will closely oversee the implementation of transportation and infrastructure provisions of the Recovery Act to ensure that the funds provided are invested quickly, efficiently, and in harmony with the job-creating purposes of this Act. To this end, we request that you provide the specific certification and transparency and accountability information discussed below within 45 days of the date of enactment of the Recovery Act (April 4, 2009).

Please provide the certification and transparency and accountability information on the "Federal Highway Administration, Highway Infrastructure Investment" funding under the Recovery Act which is suballocated to MPOs pursuant to Section 133 of Title 23, United States Code.¹

These requests go beyond the transparency and accountability requirements of the Recovery Act. The Recovery Act certification and transparency and accountability provisions do not specifically require MPOs to provide this information within 45 days of the date of enactment.

However, the certification and information that we are requesting are critical to the Committee's review of implementation of the Recovery Act. Furthermore, Chairman James L. Oberstar has repeatedly described and insisted upon these transparency and accountability provisions in Committee hearings (October 29, 2008, and January 22, 2009), speeches, and conference calls, and posted these requirements on our Committee website. These requirements should come as no surprise to any practitioner of infrastructure investments. We expect you to provide the requested certification and transparency and accountability information by April 4, 2009.

CERTIFICATION

Please provide by April 4, 2009, a copy of the certification required by Section 1511 of the Recovery Act. The Recovery Act requires the Governor, mayor, or other chief executive to certify that the infrastructure investment has received the full review and vetting required by law and the chief executive accepts responsibility that the infrastructure investment is an appropriate use of taxpayer dollars.²

TRANSPARENCY AND ACCOUNTABILITY INFORMATION

For amounts suballocated to MPOs under the Highway Infrastructure Investment funding,³ please provide by April 4, 2009, the following information required by the Recovery Act:⁴

- the amount of Federal funds allocated or apportioned to your Metropolitan Planning Organization by the State and the amount of Federal funds obligated and outlayed;⁵
- a detailed list of all projects or activities for which Recovery Act funds were obligated and the purpose, total cost, and rationale for funding the infrastructure investment;⁶

¹ American Recovery and Investment Act of 2009, Pub. L. No. 111-5, Title XII (2009).

² *Id.* § 1511. Such certification shall include a description of the investment, the estimated total cost, and the amount of covered funds to be used, and shall be posted on a website and linked to the Recovery.gov website. *Id.*

³ *Id.* Title XII.

⁴ Although the Recovery Act does not specifically require that MPOs provide this information within 45 days of the date of enactment, the Committee expects each MPO to provide the requested information.

⁵ *Id.* § 1201(b)(2)(A).

⁶ *Id.* § 1512(c)(3).

- the number of projects that have been put out to bid under the appropriation and the amount of Federal funds associated with such projects;⁷
- the number of projects for which contracts have been awarded and the amount of Federal funds associated with such projects;⁸
- the number of projects for which work has begun under such contracts and the amount of Federal funds associated with such contracts;⁹
- the number of projects for which work has been completed under such contracts and the amount of Federal funds associated with such contracts;¹⁰
- the number of direct, on-project jobs created or sustained by the Federal funds provided under the appropriation and, to the extent possible, the estimated indirect jobs created or sustained in the associated supplying industries, including the number of job-years created and the total increase in employment since the date of enactment;¹¹ and
- information tracking the actual aggregate expenditures by each grant recipient from State sources for projects eligible for funding under the program during the period from the date of enactment through September 30, 2010, compared to the level of expenditures that were planned to occur during such period as of the date of enactment.¹²

Please provide the certification and transparency and accountability information electronically and in a format that meets the Obama administration's requirements for Section 1201 and Title XV of the Recovery Act. Please work with the Office of Management and Budget and the U.S. Department of Transportation to address any questions regarding the format for the certifications and other information to ensure consistency among reporting MPOs.

In April 2009, the Committee will hold the first of a series of oversight hearings on implementation of the Recovery Act. We believe that the Recovery Act provides a unique opportunity to showcase the ability of transportation and infrastructure investments to create and sustain family-wage jobs and provide long-term economic benefits to the nation. We also know that every MPO partner welcomes the opportunity to demonstrate to its user-public that you can deliver these projects and create urgently needed employment in the timeframes set forth in this Act.

⁷ *Id.* § 1201(b)(2)(B).

⁸ *Id.* § 1201(b)(2)(C).

⁹ *Id.* § 1201(b)(2)(D).

¹⁰ *Id.* § 1201(b)(2)(E).

¹¹ *Id.* § 1201(b)(2)(F).

¹² *Id.* § 1201(b)(2)(G).

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If you have any questions regarding this request, please have your staff contact Joseph Wender, Counsel of the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure, at (202) 225-4472 or Joseph.Wender@mail.house.gov.

Thank you for your consideration.

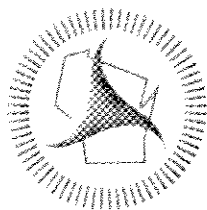
Sincerely,



James L. Oberstar, M.C.
Chairman



Peter A. DeFazio, M.C.
Chairman
Subcommittee on Highways
and Transit



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DATE: February 27, 2009

TO: Local Government Officials and Associations

FROM: Secretary Frank J. Busalacchi

SUBJECT: Second Stage Solicitation for Local Transportation Recovery Projects

Three weeks ago, before the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (Recovery Act) was passed by Congress and signed into law by the President, I wrote to all of you. At that time, it appeared likely the final legislation would set very short timelines for the use of funding for state and local transportation projects. To be prepared, we contacted all local units of government in the state to begin a first stage of seeking projects for an initial 75-day deadline.

In this first stage of the application process, the department received many local project applications. These were reviewed to determine whether they met the federal eligibility standards -- but remember; we were working with eligibility standards established before the Recovery Act was final. Project eligibility was limited to the extent that the projects could be ready for bidding and construction in the very short timeframe initially set. Unfortunately, a very limited number of the project applications qualified. Local governments that submitted projects that did meet eligibility requirements will be notified shortly.

Fortunately, the final version of the Recovery Act set more reasonable timelines for local transportation projects and there is an additional opportunity for local governments to seek federal funding for local projects that meet all eligibility criteria. I am writing today to lay out the process and the schedule local governments can use to submit transportation projects in the next application stage. We are committed to working closely with local governments to identify federally eligible projects and maximize the use of Recovery Act funds in Wisconsin.

In total, the Recovery Act will provide about \$529 million to Wisconsin for state and local highway and bridge projects. We have determined that about 30% of this total, or about \$158 million, could be made available for local roads and bridges, if sufficient eligible projects are identified and can be ready for construction. Of this total, the legislation specifies that about \$38.7 million be used within the Milwaukee urbanized area and about \$9.7 million be used within the Madison urbanized area. Virtually all of the remainder, or about \$109 million, is available for use throughout the rest of the state.

To make use of the remaining funds available for local projects, we are now beginning the Stage 2 Local Project Solicitation. The Recovery Act requires that all funds for local projects must be "obligated" by March 10, 2010, or the funds will be redistributed to other states. Working back from this critical deadline, we have established the following timeline for Stage 2 applications.

February 27, 2009

February 27, 2009: Stage 2 application process announced.

March 2, 2009: Stage 2 application materials posted on the department's Web site and the project application process begins.

April 1, 2009: Deadline for submission of all local highway, bridge and transportation enhancement applications to WisDOT. Note: This is only the deadline for the application, not for the completed plan submittal. For this deadline, local sponsors must submit a completed project application, which will give WisDOT sufficient information to verify project eligibility under Federal Highway Administration guidelines and confirm the likelihood that the project can meet required deadlines for design submittal to WisDOT.

May 1, 2009: Deadline for completed plans, specifications and estimates (PS&E) submittal for projects that could possibly be ready for bid letting in late June or July of 2009.

December 1, 2009: Deadline for PS&E submittal for all other projects to be bid in February or March 2010 and constructed in the 2010 construction season.

The Recovery Act requires that project eligibility for all programs be the same as for the usual federal-aid local programs administered by WisDOT. All the normal project review, permitting and approval processes that are required for federal aid projects will also be required for recovery projects. For local officials who would like additional information, please contact WisDOT region staff in your region listed on the Web page or contact your county highway commissioner.

Further detailed guidance, application forms and contact information will be available Monday, March 2, 2009 on the WisDOT Web site at <http://www.dot.wisconsin.gov/localgov/>. The Federal Highway Administration also has very good information regarding recovery projects posted on its Web site at <http://www.fhwa.dot.gov/economicrecovery/index.htm>. It is critical that you take an opportunity to review this information in its entirety for additional guidance. This information will be updated continually.

Once again, I want to emphasize our commitment to work cooperatively with local government officials to identify all federally eligible projects and provide the opportunity for your communities to benefit from Recovery Act funding. The transportation projects we move forward with recovery funds will create job opportunities throughout Wisconsin, provide much-needed improvements to our state and local transportation system and pave the way for continued economic growth and prosperity. I look forward to working together with all of you to support these common goals.

Kelly
Bablitch/CtyBoard/Milwaukee
County

02/27/2009 09:56 AM

To Theodore Lipscomb/CtyBoard/Milwaukee County@MILWCO
cc rdelarosa@milwcnty.com

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Subject Stimulus and Greenprint

Since one of the priorities of the Stimulus bill was "green" projects, it would seem worthwhile to see if any of the stimulus opportunities (a few cut and pasted below) could be used to bolster Milwaukee County's "greenprint" initiatives.

Supervisor Dimitrijevic would probably be interested in any efforts like these.

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ENERGY

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ADVANCE RESEARCH PROJECTS GRANTS

Description: Provides funding to support high-risk and high-payoff research to accelerate innovation for traditional and alternative energy sources. Provides funding to the Department of Energy's Advanced Research Projects Agency (ARPA-E).

Funding Mechanism: Administered by Department of Energy through a competitive grant program.

State Agency: Office of Energy Independence

State Contact Name: David Jenkins

State Contact Phone: (608) 264-7651

State Contact E-Mail: davidj.jenkins@wisconsin.gov

State Web Site: <http://www.power.wisconsin.gov/>

Eligible Entities: Businesses Individuals Non-Profit Organizations State Government Universities

Responsibility for Implementation: Federal

Federal Agency: Energy, Dept. of

Federal Web Site: <http://www.energy.gov/sciencetech/index.htm>

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ADVANCED BATTERY MANUFACTURING LOANS AND GRANTS

Description: Provides funding for the manufacture of advanced batteries and components, including advanced lithium ion batteries, hybrid electric systems, component manufacturers and software designers.

Funding Mechanism: Department of Energy will make competitive loans and grants.

State Agency: Commerce, Department of

State Contact Name: Amy Young Cumblad

State Contact Phone: (608) 266-2688

State Contact E-Mail: amy.cumblad@wi.gov

Eligible Entities: Businesses Individuals

Responsibility for Implementation: Federal

Federal Agency: Energy, Dept. of

Federal Web Site: <http://www.doe.gov>

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ALTERNATIVE-FUELED VEHICLES PILOT PROGRAM

Description: Provides funding through the Department of Energy Clean Cities program to encourage the use of plug-in electric drive vehicles or other emerging electric vehicle technologies. Grants may be used for the acquisition of alternative-fuel vehicles, fuel-cell vehicles, or hybrid vehicles including buses for public transportation and ground transportation at airports.

Funding Mechanism: Department of Energy may make competitive grants for up to 30 geographically dispersed pilot projects.

State Agency: Office of Energy Independence

State Contact Name: David Jenkins

State Contact Phone: (608) 264-7651

State Contact E-Mail: davidj.jenkins@wisconsin.gov

State Web Site: <http://power.wisconsin.gov>

Eligible Entities: Businesses Individuals Local Government Other State Government

Responsibility for Implementation: Federal

Federal Agency: Energy, Dept. of

Federal Web Site: <http://www1.eere.energy.gov/cleancities/>

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ASSISTED HOUSING STABILITY PROGRAM - Energy Efficiency and Green Retrofits

Description: Provides funding for grants and loans to assist owners of properties receiving project-based assistance under s. 202 of the Housing Act of 1959, s. 811 of the Cranston-Gonzalez national Affordable Housing Act, or s. 8 of the United States Housing Act of 1937 for energy efficiency retrofits and green investments.

Funding Mechanism: HUD administers through competitive grants or loans to eligible property owners.

State Agency: Wisconsin Housing and Economic Development Authority

Eligible Entities: Businesses Individuals

Responsibility for Implementation: Federal

Federal Agency: Housing and Urban Development, Dept. of

Federal Web Site: <http://www.hud.gov/offices/hsg/omhar/>

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CLEAN RENEWABLE ENERGY BONDS

Description: Authorizes additional clean renewable energy bonds to finance facilities that generate electricity from the following resources: wind, closed-loop biomass, open-loop biomass, geothermal, small irrigation, hydropower, landfill gas, marine renewable and trash combustion facilities

Funding Mechanism: Authorizes an additional \$1.6 billion in bonding, of which: 1/3 will be available for qualifying projects of state, local, and tribal governments, 1/3 for qualifying projects of public power providers and 1/3 for qualifying projects of electric cooperatives.

State Agency: Commerce, Department of

State Contact Name: Steve Sabatke
State Contact Phone: (608) 267-0762
State Contact E-Mail: steven.sabatke@wi.gov

Eligible Entities: Businesses Individuals Local Government Other State Government Tribal Government

Responsibility for Implementation: Federal

Federal Agency: Internal Revenue Service
Federal Web Site: <http://www.irs.gov>

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ELECTRICITY DELIVERY AND ENERGY RELIABILITY - Electricity and Energy Worker Training

Description: Provides funds to support worker training related to electricity delivery and energy reliability activities that modernize the electric grid; enhance security and reliability of energy infrastructure; conduct energy storage research, development, demonstration, and deployment; and facilitate recovery from disruptions to the energy supply, and for implementation of programs authorized under title XIII of the Energy Independence and Security Act of 2007.

Funding Mechanism: Not specified in the law. Note that this appears in the law as a Department of Energy program, so its connection with U.S. DOL or state workforce training programs is not yet clear.

State Agency: Workforce Development, Department of
State Contact Name: Ron Danowski
State Contact Phone: (608) 266-3485
State Contact E-Mail: Ron.danowski@dwd.wisconsin.gov
State Web Site: <http://dwd.wisconsin.gov/det/>

Eligible Entities: Businesses Individuals Non-Profit Organizations Other State Government Technical Colleges

Responsibility for Implementation: Federal

Federal Agency: Energy, Dept. of
Federal Web Site: <http://www.oe.energy.gov>

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ENERGY EFFICIENCY AND CONSERVATION BLOCK GRANTS - Large Cities and Counties

Description: Provides funding to local governments to reduce energy use and reduce emissions. Allowable uses include strategic planning, consultant services, energy audits, implementing building codes and inspection services, energy efficiency retrofits, and installing onsite renewable energy technologies.

Funding Mechanism: Certain large cities and counties receive direct funding allocation from the Department of Energy based on existing formulas

State Agency: Commerce, Department of
State Contact Name: Amy Young Cumblad
State Contact Phone: (608) 266-2688
State Contact E-Mail: amy.cumblad@wisconsin.gov
State Web Site: <http://commerce.wi.gov/>

Eligible Entities: Local Government
Responsibility for Implementation: Federal State

Federal Agency: Energy, Dept. of
Federal Web Site: <http://www.eere.energy.gov/>

ENERGY EFFICIENCY AND CONSERVATION BLOCK GRANTS - Small Cities and Counties Program

Description: Provides funding to local governments to reduce energy use and emissions. Allowable uses include strategic planning, consultant services, energy audits, implementing building codes and inspection services, energy efficiency retrofits and installing onsite renewable energy technologies.

Funding Mechanism: Funding for smaller cities and counties is allocated to the state for distribution through competitive process to smaller local government entities.

State Agency: Commerce, Department of
State Contact Name: Amy Young Cumblad
State Contact Phone: (608) 266-2688
State Contact E-Mail: amy.cumblad@wisconsin.gov
State Web Site: <http://commerce.wi.gov/>

Eligible Entities: Local Government
Responsibility for Implementation: State

Federal Agency: Energy, Dept. of
Federal Web Site: <http://www.eere.energy.gov/>

QUALIFIED ENERGY CONSERVATION BONDS

Description: Authorizes an additional \$2.4 billion issuance for qualified energy conservation bonds to finance state, municipal and tribal government programs and initiatives designed to reduce greenhouse gas emissions. Funds raised from the sale of qualified energy conservation bonds may be used for programs in which utilities provide ratepayers with energy-efficient property and to implement energy efficiency and green community programs.

Funding Mechanism: Qualified energy conservation bonds may be issued to make loans and grants for capital expenditures related to eligible program activities.

State Agency: Commerce, Department of
State Contact Name: Steve Sabatke
State Contact Phone: (608) 267-0762
State Contact E-Mail: steven.sabatke@wi.gov

Eligible Entities: Local Government State Government Tribal Government
Responsibility for implementation: Federal

Federal Agency: Internal Revenue Service
Federal Web Site: <http://www.irs.gov>